

BIOGRAPHY



UNITED STATES AIR FORCE

COLONEL THOMAS D. KLINCAR

Colonel Klincar is the commandant of the Community College of the Air Force (CCAF) at Maxwell Air Force Base, Alabama. He is responsible for the operational management of a regionally accredited college. CCAF is federally chartered to provide career-related associate in applied science degree programs to enlisted personnel. The college's educational programs are designed to enhance the technical and leadership skills of Air Force noncommissioned officers, allowing them to make greater contributions to readiness and the overall Air Force mission.



EDUCATION:

1980 Bachelor of Science Degree in Journalism, Southern Illinois University, Carbondale, Illinois

1980 Air Weapons Controller Technical Training (distinguished graduate), Tyndall AFB. Florida

1985 Master of Science Degree in Systems Management, University of Southern California, Los Angeles, California

1986 Squadron Officer School (distinguished graduate), Maxwell AFB, Alabama

1988 Doctorate Degree in Literature and Language Arts, La Salle University, Manila, Philippines

1990 Operations Staff Officer Course (distinguished graduate), Keesler AFB, Mississippi

1994 Air Command & Staff College (distinguished graduate), Maxwell AFB, Alabama

1994 Armed Forces Staff College (resident), Norfolk, Virginia

1998 Air War College (correspondence), Maxwell AFB, Alabama

1999 National Defense Fellow (resident), Columbus, Ohio

ASSIGNMENTS:

Jun 1980 – Feb 1981, Air Weapons Controller, OIC Stan/Eval, 719 ACWS, Sparrevohn AFS, Alaska Apr 1982 – Oct 1984, Air Weapons Control Instructor, 3625th Technical Training Squadron, Tyndall AFB, Florida

Oct 1984 – Mar 1986, Chief, Range Management Division, 13th Air Force, Clark Air Base, Philippines Apr 1986 – Oct 1986, Operations Officer, Air Defense Control Center, Det. 1 13th Air Force, Manila, Philippines

Oct 1968 – Jul 1988, Air Defense Liaison to Philippine Air Force, OL-AA 13th Air Force, Manila, Philippines Jul 1988 – Jan 1991, Instructor of English, U.S Air Force Academy, Colorado Spring, Colorado

Jan 1991 – Jan 1992, Emergency Actions Officer, HQ MAC, Scott AFB, Illinois

Jan 1992 – Aug 1993, Command Section Speechwriter, Headquarters Air Mobility Command, Scott AFB, Illinois

Aug 1993 - Nov 1994, Student, Air Command & Staff College, Maxwell AFB, Alabama

Nov 1994 – Jul 1998, NATO AWACS Squadron 3 Senior U.S. Air Force Representative & NE-3A Tactical Instructor, Geilenkirchen, Germany

Jul 1998 – Jun 1999, National Defense Fellow, Mershon Center for International Security Studies, Columbus, Ohio

Jun 1999 - Nov 2000, Special Assistant to Supreme Allied Commander Europe, Supreme

Headquarters Allied Powers Europe, Belgium Nov 2000 – Mar 2002, Chief, Doctrine & Policy Division, HQ Air Mobility Command/XPD, Scott AFB, Illinois May 2003 – Jun 2005, Dean of Academics, NATO School, Oberammergau, Germany Jun 2005 – Present, Commandant, Community College of the Air Force, Maxwell AFB, Alabama

FLIGHT INFORMATION:

Rating: Air Battle Manager

1500+ hours Aircraft: E-3

MAJOR AWARDS AND DECORATIONS:

Defense Superior Service Medal
Defense Meritorious Service Medal, one oak leaf cluster
Meritorious Service Medal, four oak leaf clusters
Aerial Achievement Medal, three oak leaf clusters
Air Force Commendation Medal, one oak leaf cluster
Expeditionary Service Medal
NATO Medal

PROFESSIONAL MEMBERSHIPS AND AFFILIATIONS:

Air Force Association Military Officers Association

OTHER ACHIEVEMENTS:

Operations Management Officer Course, honor graduate, 1990 Air Weapons Controller Course, honor graduate, 1980 13th Air Force Company Grade Officer of the Year, 1987 Air Training Command Master Instructor Certification, 1984 3625 Technical Training School Instructor of the Year, 1982

EFFECTIVE DATES OF PROMOTION:

Second Lieutenant May 1980
First Lieutenant June 1982
Captain June 1984
Major August 1992
Lieutenant Colonel September 1997
Colonel December 2002